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Mr. Muril D. Vincelette Energy Fuels Corporation One Tabor Center, Suite 2500 1200 Seventeenth St. Denver, CO 80202

Dear Mr. Vincelette,

Re: Reclamation of the MiVida Mine, M/037/028, San Juan County, Utah

The Division would like to express our appreciation to you and your staff for the reclamation efforts Energy Fuels has recently taken at several old uranium sites in San Juan County, Utah. We would also like to express our appreciation to you regarding the interest you have taken in preserving some of the historical values at the MiVida mine site.

Division staff members recently met onsite (Sept. 25, 1991) with several representatives of San Juan County Historical Commission, Mr. Wayne Wright of Energy Fuels and members of our own staff. The Division is also very interested in preserving some of these historical values.

Because of public safety hazards posed by this site, the Division would like to expedite the reclamation of the MiVida as much as possible. We would like Energy Fuels to commence reclamation, at your earliest convenience, of those areas of the MiVida site, where no historical values currently exist, i.e. the Expectation Tunnel and the Upper MiVida/Minerals West areas.

Those areas where we feel there are definite historical interests follow:

- 1. The Lower MiVida/McCormick Tunnel This area would include the McCormick portal, ore cars, pad area and possibly the large ore bin.
- 2. The Upper MiVida Portal This area would involve the original portal established by Mr. Charlie Steen, situated uphill, between the McCormick Tunnel and the MiVida Mine buildings. The Division's thoughts are to establish a plaque at this site, and reclaim the portal.

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3. The original MiVida discovery shaft and ore bin - This site may be located at the toe of the Minerals West decline's waste dump. The old headframe and ore bin have been partially covered by waste ore from the Minerals West decline.

The Division would like to establish a meeting time, with Energy fuels, to further discuss the specifics of the reclamation plan to be implemented at the MiVida. The discussion would be focused chiefly on those areas to be preserved (phase two sites). We anticipate that these areas will involve more detailed reclamation plans and require more time to prepare and implement.

The Division will initiate the process of bond forfeiture regarding the existing Minerals West reclamation surety for this site. The surety value is approximately \$18,000. Once the Division obtains this money we will let a contract out for bid for whatever portion of the MiVida reclamation these funds will cover. Our intention is to earmark this money for the reclamation of the remaining portions of the site listed above (those not to be initially reclaimed by Energy Fuels). We need to discuss timing of bond forfeiture reclamation efforts with those of Energy Fuels at these "phase two" sites.

Because of the time frame involved in working out the details for preserving the historical values, forfeiting the bond and bidding out the reclamation work, the Division feels that the reclamation of the historical areas will likely not be initiated before the spring of 92.

We will be contacting you shortly regarding an acceptable meeting place and time .

Please contact me, Wayne Hedberg or Holland Shepherd if you have any questions regarding this letter.

Sincerely,

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